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SUBJ: NARCOTICS - AFGHANISTAN

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1. MISOFF HAS CHECKED WITH DAVIES TO OBTAIN CURRENT READING FROM UN ON STATUS OF AFGHAN DRUG CONTROL PROGRAM. DAVIES' COMMENTS REVEAL THAT UN UNDERSTANDS SITUATION TO BE SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FROM THAT DESCRIBED BY MOHAMMAD YAYA TO EMBASSY KABUL AND REPORTED REFTEL.

2. DAVIES SAID THAT NEGOTIATIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY BETWEEN UN AND AFGHANISTAN CONCERN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT EXCLUSIVELY. NO NEGOTIATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT SURVEYS IN BADAQSHAN AND NANGARHAR. DAVIES NOTED THAT IN LIGHT HIS RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH ABDULLAH/GHAUS, HE IS CLEAR THAT AFGHANS WANT EXTENSIVE PROVINCE-WIDE DEVELOPMENT SURVEYS AS DESCRIBED BY OSMAN AND NOT MERE EXPANDED SURVEYS OF SMALL PILOT PROJECT AREAS. IN THIS CONNECTION DAVIES SAID THAT AFGHANS TOLD HIM EXPLICITLY THAT THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT UN/FAO REPORT WHICH ENVISAGES TWO PILOT PROJECTS AS BASIS FOR
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DEPARTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. ON MATTER OF REQUEST FOR

SURVEYS (WHICH DAVIES REPEATED UN UNDERSTANDS TO INVOLVE PROVINCE-WIDE SURVEYS), DAVIES STATED THAT UN HAS TAKEN POSITION WITH AFGHANS THAT WHOLE MATTER REQUIRES MORE CONSIDERATION AND THAT IN ANY EVENT WEATHER CONDITIONS IN BADAQSHAN/NANGARHAR PRECLUDE ANY SURVEYS BEING UNDERTAKEN BEFORE JAN/FEB WHEN AFGHANS HAVE SAID THEY WANT CONSORTIUM TO MEET.

3. ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT, CURRENT STATUS AS SEEN FROM UN GENEVA IS AS FOLLOWS: AFGHANS SAY THAT \$150,000 ENVISAGED BY UN AS ITS INPUT IN FIRST YEAR OF PROJECT IS NOT ENOUGH, THAT AN ADDITIONAL \$133,000 IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE BUILDING TO HOUSE, INTER ALIA, NARCOTICS SQUAD. UN HAS SAID IT WILL NOT PAY FOR HOUSING ANY PERSONNEL OTHER THAN NARCOTICS UNIT AND IS NOW AWAITING ESTIMATE FROM AFGHAN SIDE AS TO COST COMPLETION OF PORTION BUILDING FOR THIS UNIT. UN CONSIDERS THAT REASONABLE ESTIMATE WOULD BE IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$50,000.

4. RE PARA 3 REFTTEL, DAVIES SSTATED THAT QUESTION OF ROLE MINJUSTICS HAS NEVER BEEN REAISED WITH UN SINCE THE COUP AND UN HAS ASSUMED THAT WHOLE MATTER DEAD. ACCORDINGLY NO ASSIS-TANCE FOR MINJUSTICE WAS INCLUDED IN PROPOSED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT.

5. ON STATUS OF NEW NARCOTICS UNIT, DAVIES SAID UNIT IS NOT YET FORMED AND AFGHANS ARE TAKING POSITION IT CANNOT BE CREATED PENDING COMPLETION OF BUILDING IN WHICH UNIT IS TO BE HOUSED. DAVIES ADDED THAT PERSONNEL TRAINED FOR UNIT HAVE BEEN DISPERSED AND THIS WILL COMPLICATE UNIT'S ESTABLISHMENT.

6. RE INTERPOL, DAVIES NOTED HE OBTAINED FIRM COMMITMENT FROM GENERAL COMMANDANT OF POLICE AND CHIEF OF STAFF THAT AFGHANISTAN WOULD JOIN INTERPOL AND WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LONG-STANDING FRG OFFER TO PAY AFGHAN DUES FOR FIRST TWO YEARS. DAVIES ADDED THAT ON BEHALF OF UN HE HAS OFFERED TO PAY DUES THEREAFTER FOR DURATION ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT.

7. RE POLICE ADVISER, DAVIES OBSERVED THAT IT HAS BEEN ENVISAGED FROM OUTSET THAT A POLICE ADVISER/EXECUTIVE, TRAINED IN POLICE NARCOTICS WORK AND IN ESTABLISHMENT OF POLICE ORGANIZATIONS FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT PURPOSE, WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO AFGHANS TO HELP THEM ESTABLISH NARCOTICS SQUAD AND TO PROVIDE MAJOR BASE FOR ENFORCE-MENT ASSISTANCE. ADVISER WOULD BE REQUIRED TO WORK CLOSELY NOT ONLY WITH AFGHAN POLICE FORCE BUT ALSO WITH GERMAN ADVISORY TEAM, DEA AND INTERPOL. DAVIES NOTED IT HAS ALSO LONG BEEN ENVISAGED THAT POLICE ADVISOR WOULD BE OF FRG NATIONALITY SO THAT HE COULD HARMONIZE MOST EFFECTIVELY WITH FRG ADVISORY TEAM. DAVIES ADDED THAT IT IS AFGHANS WHO DECIDED NARCOTICS SQUAD SHOULD BE CREATED

WITHIN INTERIOR MINISTRY.

8. DAVIES MENTIONED THAT OSMAN HAS BEEN ASKED TO RETURN GENEVA
AND RESUME HIS REGULAR DUTIES IN DND BY OCT 1 OR 2. BASSIN

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